

STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: The catastrophic injury or death of a parent or guardian can have a devastating emotional

and financial impact on a family; and

WHEREAS: When injuries or deaths result from a work-related accident, workers' compensation benefits

are often insufficient to allow children from affected families to pursue their educational goals;

and

WHEREAS: Minnesota is fortunate to have the SFM Foundation, known as Kids' Chance of Minnesota,

which provides financial scholarships that help children of seriously injured workers pursue and

achieve their educational goals; and

WHEREAS: Kids' Chance of Minnesota has awarded scholarships to more than 130 kids totaling over

\$1.4 million since its inception in 2008; and

WHEREAS: Kids' Chance of Minnesota is one of many Kids' Chance organizations throughout the United

States that make a difference in the lives of children affected by a workplace injury; and

WHEREAS: More students who have lost parents and guardians need assistance to achieve their academic

goals and pursue their dreams; and

WHEREAS: The week of November 13-17, 2017, has been designated Kids' Chance Awareness Week

in order to increase the visibility of Kids' Chance organizations across the country and to

spread the word about scholarship opportunities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim November 13-17, 2017, as:

KIDS' CHANCE AWARENESS WEEK

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 3rd day of November.

GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE